

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Nuclear Science Week recognizes the contributions of the nuclear science community; and

WHEREAS, Pocatello is proud to support Idaho National Laboratory (INL), which for more than seven decades has produced clean energy technologies vital to our nation; and

WHEREAS, INL, as designated by Congress, is the nation's nuclear research, development, and deployment laboratory; and

WHEREAS, research conducted at 52 test reactors on the INL Site played an important role in development of a commercial nuclear energy industry that produces 19% of America's electricity and more than half our carbon-free electricity; and

WHEREAS, so many of Pocatello's citizens have worked at INL, either on the desert site or in Idaho Falls, playing crucial roles in a vital economic driver for Pocatello, eastern Idaho, and our state; and

WHEREAS, INL, through the National Reactor Innovation Center and Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear initiative, is working with industry to produce the advanced nuclear energy technologies needed to power future prosperity while reducing carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, INL's work with our public schools and colleges and universities is providing students and educators vital access to STEM education resources.

THEREFORE, I, MAYOR of the City of Pocatello, do hereby proclaim October 18 through 24, 2020 to be

Nuclear Science Week

and call upon our citizens to recognize the importance of nuclear energy to our national security, economy, and environment.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of our City to be affixed this 13th day of October, two thousand and twenty.



BRIAN C. BLAD
MAYOR